

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**  
**ABSTRACT**

LA - Acquisition of land required for public purpose - Appointment of the Revenue Divisional Officers/ Special Grade Deputy Collectors/ Special Deputy Collectors as Land Acquisition Officers for performing the functions of the District Collector under Section 3 (c) of Land Acquisition Act, 1894 – Orders - Issued.

REVENUE (LAND ACQUISITION) DEPARTMENT

**G.O.Ms.No.477**

**Dated: 26-08-2013,**  
**Read :**

Govt. Memo No.68296/LA(2)/2007, Revenue (LA) Department,  
dt.21.1.2008.

**ORDER:**

In the reference read above, Government have instructed all the District Collectors in the State of Andhra Pradesh to obtain permission of the Government for appointing the Land Acquisition Officers to perform the functions of the Collector under Section 3(c) of Land Acquisition Act to acquire the lands as the Collectors are not competent to appoint Land Acquisition Officers under the said provision.

2. Government have convened a meeting with all Government Pleaders in the High Court of Andhra Pradesh on 6-5-2013 at 11.00 AM to review the pending court cases. During the said meeting, the Government Pleader for Land Acquisition has brought to the notice of the Government that number of Writ Petitions are being filed in Hon'ble High Court questioning the Land Acquisition proceedings initiated by the Revenue Divisional Officers/ Special Grade Deputy Collectors/ Special Deputy Collectors as Land Acquisition Officers and most of the cases are setting aside by the Hon'ble High Court, as they are performing the functions of the Collector, without being appointed by the Government under section 3(c) of Land Acquisition Act, 1894.

3. After careful examination of the matter, Government have decided to delegate the powers to all Revenue Divisional Officers/ Special Grade Deputy Collectors/ Special Deputy Collectors in their respective jurisdictions as Land Acquisition Officers to perform the functions of the Collector for Land Acquisition under clause (c) of section 3 of Land Acquisition Act, 1894. Accordingly, Government hereby delegate the powers for appointment of all Revenue Divisional Officers/ Special Grade Deputy Collectors/ Special Deputy Collectors in their respective jurisdictions as Land Acquisition Officers to perform the functions of the Collector for Land Acquisition under clause (c) of section 3 of Land Acquisition Act, 1894.

4. The Special Chief Secretary & Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad/ all the District Collectors in the State are requested to take necessary further action accordingly.

**(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)**

B.R.MEENA  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To,  
All the District Collectors in the State.  
The Revenue Divisional Officers/ Special Grade Deputy Collectors/ Special Deputy Collectors **through** the District Collector concerned.  
Copy to the Special Chief Secretary & Chief Commissioner of  
Land Administration, Hyderabad.  
Copy to the Law (E) Department.  
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//FORWARDED::BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER